WORD OF THE LORD

Taimage Sets Forth Dangers Threatening the Young

SUNDAY SERMON

The Sacrifice of Jephthab's Daughter Was But a Type of Millions of Child Sacrifices.

BROOKLYN, July 30 .- Rev. Dr. Talanage, who is now on his vecation tour in the west, has chosen for a topic for this morning, "Children's Rights," the text being Judges ri, 56, "My father, if thou hast opened thy mouth upto the Lord, do to me according to that which hath proceeded out of thy mouth."

Joshthah was a freebooter. Early turned out from a home where he ought to have been cared for, he consorted with rough men and went forth to carn with rough men and went forth to earn his living as best he could. In those times it was considered right for a man to go out on independent military expe-ditions. Jephthah was a good man ac-pording to the light of his dark age, but through a wandering and a predatory life he became reckless and precipitate. The grace of God changes a man's heart, but never reverses his natural tempera-ment.

The Israelites wanted the Ammonites

THE WILD CORMANDED.

driven out of their country, so they sent a delegation to Jephthah, seking him to become communiter in chief of all the forces. He might have said, "You drove me out when you had no me for me, and now you are in trouble you want me back," but he did not my that. He takes command of the array, sends messengers to the Ammonites to tell them to vacate the country, and getting no favorable response marshale his troops for battle.

Before going out to the war Jephthah makes a very solemn vow that if the Lord will give him the victory then on his return hitte whatsoever first comes out of his doorway he will offer in sacrifice as a burnt offering. The battle oness. It was no satronishing on the edges of danger, no unlimbering of bat-teries two like away, but the burling of mea on the point if swords and spears until the ground could no more drink the blood and the horses reared to emp over the pile of bodies of the slain. ose old times opposing forces would fight until their swords were broken, and then each one would throttle his man until they both fell, teeth to treth, grip to grip, death stare to death stare, until the plain was one tumbled mass of corpos from which the last trace of manhood had been deshed out.

Jephthah wins the day. Twelve cities lay captured at his feet. Sound the victory all through the mountains of Gilead. Let the trumpeters call up the survivors. Homeward to your wives and children. Homeward with your glittering treasures. Homeward to have the applance of an admiring nation. Build triumphal arches. Swing out flags receive the captured treatures. Through comy hall spread the banquet. Pile up the visads. Fill high the tankards. The nation is redeemed, the invaders are routed, and the national honor is

Hun a for Juphthab, the conqueror! Jephthab, scated on a prancing steed, advances amid acclaiming multitudes, but his eye to not on the excited populace. Remembering that he had made a selemn yow that, reterning from vicborious battle, whatsoever first came out of the doorway of his home, that should he sacrifice as a burnt offering, he has his anxious look upon the door. I wonfor what spotless lamb, what brace of force, will be thrown upon the fire of the burns offering. Oh, horrors! Palenose of death blanckes his cheek. Despair seizes his heart. His daughter, his nally child, rushing out the doorway to throw herself in her father's arms and shower upon him more kisses than therewere wounds un. I is broast or dents on his shield. All the triumphal spien-for ennishes. Holding back his child from his heaving breast and pushing the locks buck from the fair brow and looking inhe the eyes of inerthoguishable affection with chaked atterance he says; "Would God I lay stark on the bloody plain. My dampleton, my only child, joy of my bome, life of my life, thou art the sacri-

The whole matter was explained to her. This was no whining, hollow heartset girl into whose open the futher looked. All the glory of sword and shield ranlabel in the presence of the value of that guil. There may have been a tropper of the lip as a year out trembles in the sough. of the weak wind, there may have been the storning of a bar like a rainfrop Accorde from the antitier of a swater life. here selfice said execution that mean may not reach and only woman's heart cuncompare also surpreaders becaut to fire and to death. The cries out in the words of my test, "My lither, of then beet special il. with unto the Lord, do unto me winteresse hath proceeded from thy meath."

THE RELIGIOUS ASSESSMENT. She have to be knife, and the blood mittiets no effect as the faller's resental. residual to the crimical chiefs emoline in the fires of the burnt offering. No one non tell we her paren. There is no reed that we know her name. The garlends that Mirpels twiteful for Jephthab, the warrs r. list game into the deat, but all ages are twenting this girl's chaplet. It is well that her hang came not to us, for no ene can wear it. They may take the tome of Deborah or Abiguil or Mirtam. but no me in all the agus can have the title of this fangister of mortifes.

Of course this affering was not place.

ing to the Lord, but before you burn your desupolations at Joy athab's amon'ty, percentury that is olden times, when somes were those men thought they must assessio them, preferm there, whether they were wicked or good. There were two wrong things alrest Jophthab's vow. First, he marks never to have made it. Next, having made it, it were better hecken than kept. But do not take up Sintentions airs and say, "I could not have done as Jophthak did." If bolay you were standing on the backs of the things and you had been been in India. were might have been threawing your children to the croosdies. It is not be-

gating wit age careenily any better, but

negune we have more grouped light. SACREFICES OF TODAY.

Now, I make very practical use of this question when I tell you that the secritice of Jephthah's daughter was a type of the physical, mental and spiritual merifice of 10,000 claidren in this day. There are parents all unwittingly bringing to bear upon their obtildren a class of influences which will as certainly ruin them as haste and turch destroyed Jephthah's daughter. While I speak, the whole nation without emotion and withcut charms looks upon the stependous sacrifice.

In the first place, I remark that much

In the first place, I remark that much of the system of education in our day is a system of sagnifice. When children spand six or areas hours a day in school, and then usuat spand two or three hours in preparation for school the next day, will you tell me how much time they will have for sometime and fresh air and the obtaining of that sambscance which is necessary for the duties of coming life? No one can feel more thankful than I do for the advancement of common school education. The printing of books appropriate for schools, the multiplication of philosophical apparatus, the establishment of normal schools, which provide for our children teachers of largest caliber, are themes on which every philanthropiet ought to be congratulated. But this harding of great multitudes of children in ill ventilated schooltudes of children in ill ventilated schoolrooms and poorly equipped halfs of in-struction is making many of the places of knowledge in this country huge holo-

Politics in many of the cities gets into educational affairs, and while the two political parties are scrabbling for the honors Jephthah's daughter parishes.
It is so much so that there are many schools in the country today which are preparing tens of thousands of invalid men and women for the future, so that in many places by the time the child's education is finished the child is finished! In many places, in many cities of the country, there are large appropriations for everything else and cheerful approprinticus, but as soon as the appropriation is to be made for the educational or moral interest of the city we are struck through with an economy that is wellnigh the death of us.

SPARE THE DELICATE BRAIN. In convection with this I mention what I might call the cramming system of the ermmen schools and many of the acadea es-children of delicate brain compelled to teeks that might appall a mature intellect, children going down to school with a strap of books half as high as themselves. The fact is, in some of the cities parents do not allow their children to graduate for the simple reason, they say, "We cannot afferd to allow our children's lealth to be destroyed in order that they may gather the honors f an institution."

Tens of thousands of children educated into imbecility, so connected with many such literary establishments there ought to be asylume for the wrecked. It is push and crowd and cram and stuff and jam until the child's intellect is bewildered, and the memory is wrecked, and the health is gene. There are children turned out from the schools who once were full of romping and laughter and had cheeks crimson with health who are now turned out in the afternoon pale faced, irritated, asthmatic, old before their time. It is one of the saddest sights on earth, an old mannish boy or an old womanish girl.

Girls 10 years of age studying algebra! Boys 12 years of age racking their brains over trigonometry! Children unacquainted with their mother tongue crying over their Latin, French and German lessons! All the vivacity of their nature beaten out of them by the heavy beetle of a Greek lexicon! And you doctor them for this, and you give them a little medhine for that, and you wonder what is the matter with them. I will tell you what is the cauter with them; they are

finishing their education. in my parish in Philadelphia a child was we preshed at school that she was mown into a fever, and in her dying deliring, all night long, she was trying recite the multiplication table. In my boyhead I remember that in our class at a hool there was one lad who knew more than all of us put together. If we were fast in our arithmetic, he extricated us. When we stood up for the spelling class, he was almost always the head of the class. Visitors came to les father's house, and he was almost a ways brought in as a producy. At 18 war d age he was an idiot. He lived years as ideal and died an idlot, not believing his right hand from his left, or day from night, whe parents and the teachers made bim an idiot. THE STREETS OF CHILDWOOD.

You may flatter your paids by forcing year children to know more than any other children, but you are making a socifies of that cliffd if by the additions to its intelligence you are making a subtraction from its future. The child will re away from such maltreatment with ne santermers to fight the battle of life. Bull -hildren may get along very well while you take care of them, but when you are old or dead, alsel for there if, through the scrong system of education which you adopted they have no swarthinous or force of character to take sure of themselves. He careful how you squire the child's hend ache or its beart

I hear a great deal about black men's rights and Chinamen's rights and Inmust rights and women's rights. Would God that somebody would rise to plead for children's right! The Carthaginians med to samplice their children by patting them note the amount of an idel which theast forth it hand. The child was put into the arms of the Mol, and no somer touched the arms than it dropped into the fire. But it was the art of the motiers to keep the children smiling and longhing until the moment they died. There may be a fundamenton and a bilarity about the styles of education of which I am speaking, but it is only laughter at the morsest of sacrifice. Would God times were only one Jephthah's daughter.

CHEMINICA TO BE TARRIED. Again, there are many parents who are secreticing their children with wrong exercises of discipline - too great rigor or too great beliency. There are children in familias who rais the household. They come to the unthority. The high chair in which the infant site is the throne, and the ruttle is the scopter, and the other children make an the parliament where father and mother have no votel

finch children come up to be miscreania. There is no chance in this world for a child that has never learned to mind, such people become the botheration of the church of God and the peet of the world. Children that do not sears to they because antiquestry are unwitted to

loars to obey distant authority. Children will not respect parents whose authority they do not respect. Who are these young men that swagger through the street, with their thumbs in their vest, mining about their father as "the old man," "the governor," "the squire,"
"the old chap," or their mother as "the
old woman? They are those who in
youth, in childheed, never learned to respect authority. Eli, having heard that
his sofis had died in their wickedness,
fell over backward and broke his neck
and died. Well he might. What is life
to a father whose some are debanched? to a father whose some are debanched? The dust of the valley is pleasant to his taste, and the driving rains that drip through the roof of the sepulcher are sweeter than the wines of Helbon.

There must be harmony between the father's government and the mother's government. The father will be tempted to too great rigor. The mother will be tempted to too great leniency. Her tenderness will overcome ber. Her voice is a little softer; her hand seems better fit to pail out a thorn and soothe a pang. Children wanting any thing from the mother cry for it. They hope to dissolve her will with tears. But the mother must not interfere, must not coax off, must not beg for the child when the hour comes for the assertion of parental supremacy and the subjugation of a child's temper. There comes in the histested whether the parents shall rule or the child shall rule. That is the crucial hour. If the child triumphs in that hour, then he will some day make you crouch. It is a horrible scene. I have witnessed it-a mother come to old age, shivering with terror in the presence of a son who cursed her gray hairs and mocked her wrinkled face and begrudged her the crust she munched with her toothless

gumet How sharper than a serpent's touth it is To have a thankless child!

CONTROL YOUR TENTER. But, on the other hand, too great rigor must be avoided. It is a sad thing when domestic government becomes cold military despotism. Trappers on the prairie fight fire with fire, but you can-not successfully fight your child's bad temper with your own bad temper. We must not be too minute in our inspection. We cannot expect our children to be perfect. We must not see everyng. Since we have two or three faults of our own, we ought not to be too rough when we discover that our children have as many. If tradition be true, when we were children we were not all little Samuels, and our parents were not fearful lest they could not raise us because of our premature goodness. You cannot scold or pound your chil-

dren into nobility of character. The bloom of a child's heart can never be seen under a cold drizzle. Above all, avoid fretting and scolding in the household. Better than 10 years of fretting at your children is one good, round, old fashioned application of the slipport That minister of the gospel of whom we read in the newspapers that he whipped his child to death because he would not say his prayers will never come to cancoization. The arithmetics cannot calculate how many thousands of children have been ruined forever either through too great rigor or too great leniency. The heavens and the earth are filled with the moan of the sacrificed. In this important matter seek divine direction. the mother of Lord Chief Justice Mansfield if she was not proud to have three anch eminent sons and all of them so good. "No," she said, "it is nothing to be proud of, but something for which to be very grateful."

Again, there are may who are sacrificing their children to a spirit of worldiness. Some one asked a mother whose children had turned out very well what was the secret by which she prepared them for usefulness and for the Chris-tian life, and she said: "This was the secret. When in the morning I washed my children, I prayed that they might be wasked in the fountain of a Saviour's mercy. When I put on their garments, I prayed that they might be arrayed in the robe of a Saviour's righteousness. When I gave them food, I prayed that they might be fed with manna from beaven. When I started them on the road to school, I prayed that their path might be as the shining light, brighter and brighter to the perfect day. When I put them to sleep, I prayed that they might be enfolded in the Saviour's arms." "Ch," you say, "that was very old fashit was quite old fashioned. But do you suppose that a child under such nurture as that ever turned out bad?

TOO MIN'T WORLDLINESS. In our day most boys start out with no idea higher than the all encompassing dollar. They start in an age which is note it can scratch the Lord's Prayer on a 10 cent piece, and the Ten Commandments on a 10 cent piece. Children are taught to reduce morals and religion. time and eternity, to vulgar fractions, It seems to be their chief attainment that 10 cents make a dime, and 10 dimes make a dellar. How to get money is only equaled by the other art, how to keep it. Tell me, ye who know, what chance there is for those who start out in life with such perverted sentimental The money market resconds again and again with the downfull of such people. If I had a drop of blood on the tip of a pen. I would tell you by what awful tragedy many of the youth of this country are reined.

Further on thousands and tens of thorsands of the daughters of America are eacrificial to worldliness. They are taught to be in exampathy with all the artificialities of society. They are inducted into all the heliceness of what is called fashionable life. They are taught to believe that history is dry, but that 50 cout sto-



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with filial and sisterly demonster, their life is a waste, their buntly a cures, their eternity a demotition.

SLAIS AT THE ALTAR.

In the stage of Charleston, during the civil war, a lieutement of the army shood on the floor builds the daughter of the engovernor of the state of South Carolina. They were taking the vowe of marriage. A bombabell struck the roof, dropped into the group, and nine were wounded and siam; among the wounded to death, the bride. While the bridegrouns hast on the carpet trying to grosss knott on the carpet trying to stanch the wounds the bride demanded that the ceremony be completed, that she might take the rows before her departure, and when the minister said, "Wift thou he faithful unto death?" with her dying lips she said, "I will," and in two hours she had departed. That was the accidental alaughter and the sacrifice of the body, but at thousands of marriage alters there are daughters slain for time and slain for eternity. It is not

a marriage; it is a measure.

Affianced to some one who is only waiting until his father dies so be can get the property. Then a little winle they swing around in the circles, bril-liant circles. Then the property is gone, and having no power to earn a livelihood the twain sink into some corner of society—the busband an idler and a sot, the wife a drudge, a slave and a sacrifice. Ah, spare your denunciations from Jephthah's head and expend them all on this wholesale modern martyrdom!

I lift up my voice to-day against the sacrifice of children. I look out of my window on a Sabbath and I see a group of children—unwashed, uncombed, un-Christianized. Who cares for them? Who prays for them? Who utters to them one kind word?

THE STREET ARAB. When the city missionary passing along the park in New York saw a ragged lad and heard him swearing, he said to him: "My son, stop swearing! You ought to go to the house of God today. You ought to be good. You ought to be a Christian." The lad looked in his face and said, "An, it is easy for you to talk, well clothed as you are and well fed, but we chaps hain't got no chance!" Who lifts them to the altar for baptism? Who goes forth to match them up from crime and death and wee? Who today will go forth and bring them into schools and churchest No. Heap them up, great piles of rags and wretchedness and filth. I'ut underneath them the fires of sacrifice, stir up the blaze, put on more fagots, and while we sit in the churches with folded arms and indifferent crime and disease and death will go on with

the agonizing sacrifice. During the early French revolution at Bourges there was a company of boys who used to train every day as young roldiers, and they carried a flag, and they had on the flag this inscription: "Trem-ble, tyrants, tremble! We are growing up." Mightily suggestive! This generation is passing off, and a mightier generation is coming on. Will they be e foes of tyranny, the foes of sin and the foes of death, or will they be the foes of God? They are coming up!

I congratulate all parents who are doing their best to keep their children away from the altar of sacrifice. Your prayers are going to be answered. Your children may wander away from God, but they will come back again. A voice comes from the throne today encouraging you, "I will be a God to thee, and to thy seed after thee," And though when you lay your head in death there may be ome wanderer of the family far away from God, and you may be 20 years in heaven before salvation shall come to his heart, he will be brought into the kingdom, and before the throne of God you will rejoice that you were faithful. Come at last, although so long postponed his coming. Come at last!

CHEER FOR THE TOILERS. I congratulate all those who are toiling for the outcast and the wandering. Your work will soon be over, but the infinence you are setting in motion will never stop. Long after you have been garnered for the sides your prayers, your teachings and your Christian influence will go on and help to people heaven with bright inhabitants.

Which would you rather see-which scene would you rather mingle in in the last great day-being able to say, "I added house to house and land to land and manufactory to manufactory; I owned half the city; whatever my eyes saw I had, whatever I wanted I got," or on that day to have Christ look you full in the face and say, "I was hungry, and ye fed me; I was naked, and ye clothed me; I was sick and in prison, and ye visited me; inastanch as ye did it to the least of my brethren, ye did it to me?"



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